

# THE EMPRESS EXPRESS

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## A Gasoline Saver

The following is from the The News, Medicine Hat—"R. L. Tucker has an invention which he claims is a great saver of gasoline. On March 31st, Mr. and Mrs. Tucker left Empress for Medicine Hat. Before leaving Empress the tank of a Ford car was filled to one and one-half inches of the top, and sealed in the presence of John Henry Duff, notary public of their place. The car was then driven the 89 miles required to reach Medicine Hat and the tank measured at the Central Garage here, when it was found that it required only three gallons to refill the tank to the same place as when it left Empress. The affidavit in the latter case was taken in the presence of M. A. Cory. Mr. Tucker leaves today for Calgary."

Roy Tucker returned from Calgary, on Wednesday. He has a deal pending for the manufacture and sale of the patent. He wishes those having an interest in the patent to meet him at 8 p.m., Sat. April 13, at the Tucker Bros. implement office.

Mr. Tucker says that he will give a public test of his apparatus on any car, on Sunday, for the benefit of any doubters.

## BIRTH NOTICES

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wilson, at Empress, Sunday, April 7, a daughter.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Atkinson, Sunday, April 7, a son.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Land, Tuesday, March 26, a son.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Griffith, of Bindloss, Friday, Friday, April 5, a son.

## UNITED CHURCH

Rev. G. G. Pykes, B.A., Pastor

Services, Sunday, April 14, in the Grand Theatre. Sunday school and adult bible class, 2:30 p.m. Regular preaching service, 7:30 p.m. You are cordially invited to these services. The Ladies of the Congregation will hold their regular meeting on Friday, April 12th at 8 p.m., at the home of Mrs. R. M. Henderson.

## Must Obtain Licence

To Sell Foodstuffs

On and after the first day of June, 1918, no person may operate a public eating place without having first obtained a licence.

## A Letter From Jack Black

April 3, 1918

We are in receipt of the following letter from Jack Black, who is now in Calgary. Jack was a member of the 82nd Bat. with which corps he sailed overseas:

"Just a few lines to let you know that I am alive, and also to have you re-address the 'Express.' Haven't been receiving it very regularly as I've only had one copy since last December.

I left Edmonton on December 18, going on a visit to Toronto to see my people there. Arrived there in time for Christmas. This Christmas dinner was sure some different to the last one that I'd eaten, and of course it was more appreciated.

I arrived back here early in March and am now attending the Government School for Returned Soldiers. This school is doing good work in re-educating the "boys." Mike Murphy of Acadia Valley started on today. Am taking a course in gas and steam tractors and expect to finish in September.

Would have run down to Empress on Good Friday, but owing to the washouts on the line, did not care to risk it (however, if all goes well, be down on May 24).

Am feeling "jake" myself and little is worse for my absence from Empress. Best regards to you all and to Empress in general.

Your sincerely,

Jack Black,

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## The Famous Bostonians

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## Canadian Flax For Aeroplanes

Word has been received at Ottawa, that Colonel Wayland, of the Canadian Expeditionary Forces, has been requested by the War Office to immediately proceed to Canada to supervise the distribution of fibre flax seed which it is anticipated will be urgently required in order to supply the manufacturing needs for aeroplanes in the near future.

As the importance of these supplies cannot be exaggerated it is exceedingly desirable that there shall be cordial co-operation between the farmers who will sow this special flax seed and Colonel Wayland who will distribute the seed to be sown. Colonel Wayland has been empowered to offer suitable terms to farmers sowing this seed. He is proceeding to Canada at an early date and in the meantime enquiries may be addressed to him c/o Grain Exchange, Winnipeg.

Typewriters, typewriter supplies, counter check books, all kinds of printed and commercial stationery, etc.; call or write us—The Express Express



Jean Carroll with the famous Bostonians in "The Girl From Over There," at the Grand, Monday, April 22.

## BIBLE CLASS MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Adult Bible Class of the United Sunday School was held on Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Dawdy, a good number being present. Mrs. Charles Hayes presided and conducted the devotional and business exercises. The committee for distribution of flowers reported that they had secured an Easter lily for Mrs. Frost, one of the members of the class. A resolution was introduced and unanimously passed that in view of the serious shortage of food, and the necessity of increasing supplies for overseas the class discontinue serving lunch at the meetings. The advisability of changing the hour of Sunday School to 11 a.m. on Sundays was discussed, and a motion was passed favoring the change provided that no serious objection was offered by the parents. The parents will be asked to give an expression of their opinion at next Sunday evening's service. After the business session, Mrs. Lacy gave an interesting report of the Sunday School Convention at Calgary, in which she gave a number of suggestions for improving the Sunday School work.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 4th, 1918

## THE OWLET

Contributed by Pupils of the Cavendish School

The Easter Holidays are but a dream, but these glorious Spring days are a reality.

When School reopened on Easter Tuesday, there was great excitement as a good many scholars were promoted—not the slackers though.

We are wondering why Wilfred F. looked rather glum last week. Can you guess girls?

Go to Burton if you enjoy your 9-mile a day walk—Oh you husky!

We are wondering who tried to cause a little excitement on Tuesday last when a fire broke out near the school. They say it was Mrs. E. We are still puzzling our brains—surely it could not have been Mrs. Emery.

A passer-by would surely have booked Cavendish children smart had they seen them scamper around the barn to secure their horses and buggies when the fire broke out.

Last Friday was Hilda Lee's birthday. She received many useful gifts from her many friends. May you live to be as old and as wise as Solomon we read about the other day, Hilda.

So Willie Anderson disappointed us—instead of going rock-picking he suddenly ap-

peared in the C.E.A. Coop. Store. Good luck to you Willie.

We have 26 enrolled and still more pupils are expected to arrive soon—the more the merrier.

Our percentage of attendance has been ninety and over for the last three months—not one attendance was missed last week.

Next Friday is general clean-up of the school grounds, bring your rakes, hoes, picks—boys, and girls too—use your old clothes if you want to occupy a line of 10c.

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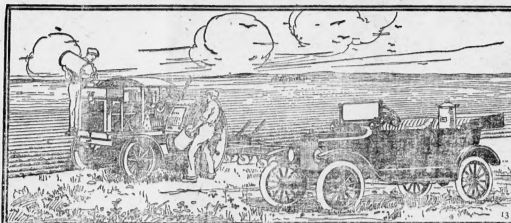
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## SOCIAL PLAINS

William Foville, sr., is improving nicely from his recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Griffin were made happy last week by the arrival of a fine son.

Albert Kreller drove his McLaughlin "Light Six" out Saturday. Social Plains is getting some cars.

This locality was visited by a prairie fire Monday. It destroyed the new barn of O. Johnston and burned over a large stretch of country. It came from range three, but at present no one knows whether it started in range three or crossed from range four. The same forenoon a blaze started on R. Stoves place. It was started by a spark from the chimney.

Dad Wagner, who has been ailing, is out again.

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EMPRESS ALBERTA

## Local and Personal

Norman A. Sexton, of Calgary, is a visitor in town.

Geo. E. Reeves, of the News, Moose Jaw, was a visitor here Tuesday.

D. Lash, left on Tuesday for Calgary to undergo military examination.

It is pleasing to see so many of those who were on the sick list now recovered from their illnesses.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ferguson, and Mrs. S. McWhinney motorized to Medicine Hat on Saturday and returned Wednesday.

Staff Sgt. Botteley, R.N.W.M.P., of Leader, Sask., was an Empress visitor on Friday last, looking for a military deserter.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Trewin, former residents of here, were visitors in town on Friday last. They were on their return from Swift Current, to their home at Oyen. Mr. Trewin had been called to Swift Current by the death of his sister.

Ed. McCune and W. Phillips, of Estuary, were visitors here Wednesday, enroute to their farmsteads. They were unable to cross the river at Estuary so had to send their effects to Empress by rail and make make the trips to their farmsteads via the bridge.

## The Peoples' Column

(We take no responsibility for expressions of opinions contained in letters published under this heading. The public are welcome to make full use of this column.)

Mr. Editor:

Will you allow a few queries to be printed in the Peoples' Column provided the writer signs his name?

Why do not some of the wise heads provide help for the farmer's wife, while they are making the effort to get help for the farmer?

Why not bring over several shiploads of women who are not needed in Europe, thus saving the shipping of food to them?

Why not mobilise the High School girls as well as the boys?

A farmer called at my home last week looking for a girl to do housework. He was taking his wife from the hospital and had the promise of a girl in Empress, but was disappointed. He had five hundred acres to seed, but no one to help his wife. They had five little children.

There is many a farmer's wife, who during the rushing times, must cook for a hungry crew of men; pump water for the stock; milk the cows; slop the pigs; feed the calves; care for the children; fight flies, etc., etc.

Why not start a drive to help the farmer's wife?

Even in Empress, are there not women following occupations that have no bearing whatsoever on whipping the Kaiser's Huns, because our broad-minded but weak-backed citizens have not the nerve to clean up the community morally.

Curiously yours,

E. J. Lacy.

H. (Bomber) Free, has joined the staff of the Alberta Machine Shop. Mr. Free was, for several years previous to his enlistment, a steamship's fitter and machinist.

E. Foster, assistant in the G. L. Brown drug store, left for Swift Current, on Wednesday, where he appeared before the military exemption tribunal.

T. W. Smith, owner of the largest barn in North America, was a visitor to town on Friday last. We are informed that Mr. Smith is offering his land, cattle, barn, etc. for sale.

The reflection of the first prairie fire, in this district, was to be seen on Tuesday night. The fire was in the southwest. It is to be hoped that there will be an extra effort made by everyone to keep an eye open for the "careless" individual who is generally the cause of these dangerous blazes. Prairie fires are apt to lose you more this year than any previous year, besides which the Allies need every bushel of food this country can raise.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Blodgett and family returned on Monday, from Fulton, N.Y., where they have been spending the winter. "Met" reports, the winter there as being very severe, great hardship was worked on the people owing to the railroads being congested causing a tie up in traffic, fuel and foodstuffs.

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